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The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—"No representation was received from the Secretary of the Illegal Eviction Protest Committee, Chekkanari Patta Hills, Tiruvambadi, Wynaad, alleging attempt at forceful eviction and requesting protection."

Direct recruitment of Sub-Inspectors of Police.

* 302 Q.—Sri M. RAJESWARA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of Sub-Inspectors of Police directly recruited during the years 1950–52 in the Northern Range; and

(*b*) how many of them are (i) Harijans and (ii) Christian converts?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—"(*a*) 165, in three batches.

"(*b*) 19 and 6 respectively."

Sri M. RAJESWARA RAO :—"Is any relaxation in qualifications allowed in respect of Harijans and Christians and is the general percentage reservation in the public services for Harijans maintained in the selection of Sub-Inspectors?"

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—"Relaxations have been made in a few cases. As a matter of fact, reservations were to the extent of 33, but including relaxations we could get only 19 candidates."

Election to Villiappalli Panchayat Board, North Malabar.

* 303 Q.—Sri K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the voters who came for voting for the Villiappalli Panchayat Board election in Kurumbranad taluk, North Malabar, on the 14th February 1953 were lathi-charged by the police and whether the Government received any memorandum regarding the same?

The Hon. Sri N. SANKARA REDDI :—"A report on the alleged incident has been called for from the Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards."

Japanese method of rice cultivation.

* 304 Q.—Sri L. LAKSHMANA DAS : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the names of the villages which are proposed to be selected in Srikakulam district for trying the Japanese method of rice cultivation?

The Hon. Dr. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—"A statement* showing the list of villages is placed on the table of the Assembly."

* Printed as Appendix II on pages 915–916 infra.